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IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA RICHMOND DIVISION

In re:	Chapter 11
Alpha Natural Resources, Inc., et al.,	Case No. 15()
Debtors.	(Joint Administration Requested)

MOTION OF THE DEBTORS FOR THE ENTRY OF AN ORDER (A) SCHEDULING AN EXPEDITED HEARING ON FIRST DAY MOTIONS FILED BY THE DEBTORS AND (B) APPROVING THE FORM AND MANNER OF NOTICE THEREOF

Alpha Natural Resources, Inc. ("ANR") and certain of its direct and indirect subsidiaries, as debtors and debtors in possession (collectively, the "Debtors"), respectfully represent as follows:

Background

1. On the date hereof (the "Petition Date"), the Debtors commenced their reorganization cases by filing voluntary petitions for relief under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code"). By a motion filed on the Petition Date, the Debtors have requested that their chapter 11 cases be consolidated for procedural purposes only

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and administered jointly. The Debtors are authorized to continue to operate their business and manage their properties as debtors in possession pursuant to sections 1107(a) and 1108 of the Bankruptcy Code.

2. A comprehensive description of the Debtors' businesses and operations, capital structure and the events leading to the commencement of these chapter 11 cases can be found in the declarations of (a) Kevin S. Crutchfield, Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of the Board of Directors of ANR, and (b) Philip J. Cavatoni, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial and Strategy Officer of ANR in support of the Debtors' "first day" pleadings (together, the "First Day Declarations"), which were filed contemporaneously herewith and which are incorporated by reference.

Jurisdiction

3. This Court has subject matter jurisdiction to consider this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1334. This is a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b). Venue is proper before this Court pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409.

Relief Requested

4. By this Motion and the Certification of Henry P. (Toby) Long, III

Regarding Request for Expedited Hearing attached hereto as Exhibit D (the "Long

Certification"), the Debtors are seeking the entry of an order, substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A, pursuant to Rule 9013-1(M) and (N) of the Local Rules of the United States

Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Virginia (the "Local Bankruptcy Rules"):

(a) scheduling an expedited hearing on certain of the first day motions (collectively, the "First

Day Motions") filed by the Debtors contemporaneously herewith, as set forth in the proposed

first day agenda attached hereto as Exhibit B (in which the Debtors also indicate whether they

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are seeking an interim or final order on each First Day Motion) and (b) approving the form and manner of notice thereof (the "First Day Notice"), which is attached hereto as Exhibit C.

Argument

- 5. Local Bankruptcy Rule 9013-1 allows the setting of a hearing on an expedited basis, provided that the certification required pursuant to Local Bankruptcy Rule 9013-1(N) accompanies and supports such a request.¹
- by this Court on an expedited basis. As described in detail in each of the First Day Motions and the First Day Declarations, the relief requested in the First Day Motions is essential to maintaining the efficient functioning of the Debtors' business and preserving and thereby maximizing the value of the Debtors' estates. Accordingly, the Debtors believe that the First Day Motions involve matters that require an expedited, emergency hearing and respectfully request that the Court schedule such a hearing on each of the First Day Motions to be conducted on the Petition Date or as soon as possible thereafter.
- 7. To allow the relief sought in the First Day Motions to be heard in an expedited manner, the Debtors respectfully request that the Court enter the order attached hereto as Exhibit A, setting a first day hearing before the Court (the "First Day Hearing") on the First Day Motions. A certification of the exigent nature of the relief requested herein is attached hereto as Exhibit D.
- 8. Courts in this districts have granted similar relief concerning expedited consideration of first day motions in other large chapter 11 cases. See, e.g., In re Morris

Where Rules 6004, 6005 or 6006 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure require a special showing by the Debtors, the details specifically making that showing are in the applicable First Day Motion or in the First Day Declarations.

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| Schmeider | Wittstadt Va., PLLC, No. 15-33370 (KLP) (Bankr. E.D. Va. July 6, 2015);
| In re Health Diagnostic Lab., Inc., No. 15-32919 (KRH) (Bankr. E.D. Va. June 9, 2015);
| In re Patriot Coal Corp., No. 15-32450 (KLP) (Bankr. E.D. Va. May 12, 2015); | In re AMIF
| Bowling Worldwide, Inc., No. 12-36495 (KRH) (Bankr. E.D. Va. Nov. 13, 2012); | In re James
| River Coal Co., No. 14-31848 (KRH) (Bankr. E.D. Va. Apr. 9, 2014); | In re Movie Gallery, Inc.,
| No. 10-30696 (KLP) (Bankr. E.D. Va. Feb. 3, 2010); | In re Canal Corp. (f/k/a Chesapeake Corp.),
| No. 08-36642 (DOT) (Bankr. E.D. Va. Dec. 30, 2008); | In re LandAmerica Fin. Group, Inc.,
| No. 08-35994 (KRH) (Bankr. E.D. Va. Nov. 28, 2008).

Waiver of Separate Memorandum of Points and Authorities

9. The Debtors respectfully request that the Court regard any argument and citations set forth herein as a written memorandum of facts, reasons and authorities that has been combined with the relief requested herein, as permitted by Local Bankruptcy Rule 9013-1(G)(1). Alternatively, the Debtors respectfully request that the Court waive any requirement set forth in Local Bankruptcy Rule 9013-1(G)(1) that this Motion be accompanied by such a written memorandum.

Notice of First Day Hearing

Notice Parties (as defined below) via e-mail or facsimile where such information is known to the Debtors, and will otherwise be served by hand delivery or overnight earrier. The Debtors propose to serve the First Day Notice on: (a) the Office of the United States Trustee for the Eastern District of Virginia; (b) Davis Polk & Wardwell LLP and McGuireWoods LLP, as co-counsel to Citibank, N.A., as administrative and collateral agent under the proposed postpetition credit facility, and Citicorp North America, Inc., as administrative and collateral agent under the Debtors' prepetition secured credit facility, (c) Kirkland & Ellis LLP, as counsel

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unsecured notes (and counsel, where known); (e) counsel to General Electric Credit Corporation, as administrative agent under the Debtors' prepetition secured accounts receivable facility; (f) the creditors holding the 50 largest unsecured claims against the Debtors' estates on a consolidated basis; (g) the United Mine Workers of America; (h) any entity affected by the relief requested in the First Day Motions ((a) through (b) collectively, the "First Day Notice Parties"); and (i) any party that has requested notice pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 2002 as of the time of service (any such party, a "Rule 2002 Party"). The Debtors submit that no other or further notice need be provided.

No Prior Request

11. No prior request for the relief sought in this Motion has been made to this or any other Court in connection with these chapter 11 cases.

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WHEREFORE, the Debtors respectfully request that the Court (i) enter an order in each of the above-captioned cases substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A, granting the relief requested herein; and (ii) grant such other and further relief to the Debtors as the Court may deem proper.

Dated: August 3, 2015 Richmond, Virginia

Respectfully submitted,

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EXHIBIT A

Proposed Order

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In re:	Chapter 11
Alpha Natural Resources, Inc., et al.,	Case No. 15()
Debtors.	(Joint Administration Requested)

ORDER (A) SCHEDULING AN EXPEDITED ILEARING ON FIRST DAY MOTIONS FILED BY THE DEBTORS AND (B) APPROVING THE FORM AND MANNER OF NOTICE THEREOF

This matter coming before the Court on the Motion of the Debtors for the Entry of an Order (A) Scheduling an Expedited Hearing on First Day Motions Filed by the Debtors and (B) Approving the Form and Manner of Notice Thereof (the "Motion"), ¹ filed by the debtors and debtors in possession in the above-captioned cases (collectively, the "Debtors"); the Court having reviewed the Motion, the First Day Declarations and the Long Certification, attached to the Motion as Exhibit D; and the Court having found that (a) the Court has jurisdiction over this

Capitalized terms not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings given to them in the Motion.

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matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1334, (b) this is a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b), (c) venue is proper before this Court pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409, (d) notice of the Motion was sufficient under the circumstances and (e) the exigency of the situation justifies an immediate hearing on the First Day Motions; and the Court having determined that the legal and factual bases set forth in the Motion, the First Day Declarations and the Long Certification establish just cause for the relief granted herein;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

1.

Virginia 23219.

2. The Court shall hear the First Day Motions at ______ on _____ of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Virginia, Richmond Division, 701 East Broad Street, 5th Floor, Richmond,

3. The First Day Notice attached to the Motion as <u>Exhibit C</u> is approved in all respects.

The Motion is GRANTED as set forth herein.

- 4. Service of the First Day Notice on the First Day Notice Parties and any Rule 2002 Parties by facsimile transmission or e-mail transmission (and by hand delivery or overnight carrier where facsimile or e-mail information is not known to the Debtors) is adequate and appropriate notice of the Debtors' chapter 11 cases under the circumstances.
- 5. The requirement under Local Bankruptcy Rule 9013-1(G) to file a memorandum of law in connection with the Motion is hereby waived to the extent necessary.

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	6.	The Court shall	retain exclusive jurisdiction to hear and determine all
matters arising from or related to the implementation of this Order.			
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			UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE

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WE ASK FOR THIS:

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CERTIFICATION OF ENDORSEMENT UNDER LOCAL BANKRUPTCY RULE 9022-1(C)

Pursuant to Local Bankruptcy Rule 9022-1(C), I hereby certify that the foregoing proposed order has been endorsed by or served upon all necessary parties.

/s/ Henry P. (Toby) Long, III

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EXIIIBIT B

Proposed First Day Agenda

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In re:		Chapter 11
Alpha Natural Resources, Inc., et al., Debtors.		Case No. 15()
		(Joint Administration Requested)
	<u>PROPOSED FIRST I</u>	DAY AGENDA
Location of Hearing:	Courtroom of the Honorable of the United States Bankruptey Court for the Eastern District of Virginia, Richmond Division, 701 East Broad Street, 5th Floor, Richmond, Virginia 23219.	

I. Introduction

Introductory Presentation

- 1. "Pro Hac Vice Motions" Motion For Admission to Practice, *Pro Hac Vice*, Under Local Bankruptcy Rule 2090-1(E)(2) (Final Order);
- 2. "First Day Declarations"
 - Declaration of Kevin S. Crutchfield, Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of the Board of Directors of Debtor Alpha Natural Resources, Inc., in Support of First Day Pleadings of Debtors and Debtors in Possession; and
 - Declaration of Philip J. Cavatoni, Executive Vice President & Chief Financial and Strategy Officer of Debtor Alpha Natural

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Resources, Inc., in Support of First Day Pleadings of Debtors and Debtors in Possession;

3. "Joint Administration" — Motion of the Debtors, Pursuant to Rule 1015(b) of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure, for an Order Directing the Joint Administration of their Chapter 11 Cases (Final Order);

II. First Day Matters

Procedural and Administrative Pleadings

- 4. "Consolidated Lists" Motion of the Debtors and Debtors in Possession, Pursuant to Sections 342 and 521(a) of the Bankruptey Code, and Bankruptey Rules 1007(a), 2002(a) and 2002(f) and Local Bankruptey Rules 1007-1 and 2002-1 for an Order (A) Waiving the Requirement that Each Debtor Submit a Formatted Mailing Matrix, (B) Approving the Form and Manner of Notice of the Commencement of the Debtors' Chapter 11 Cases and (C) Authorizing the Filing of a Consolidated List of Top 50 Unsecured Creditors (Final Order);
- 5. "Extension for Time to File Schedules" Motion of the Debtors for Entry of an Order, Pursuant to Sections 105 and 521 of the Bankruptey Code, Bankruptey Rules 1007, 2002, 2015.3 and 9006 and Local Bankruptey Rule 1007-1 (I) Extending the Time Within Which They Must File Their (A) Schedules of Assets and Liabilities, (B) Schedules of Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases, (C) Statements of Financial Affairs and (D) Rule 2015.3 Financial Reports; and (II) Waiving Requirement of Filing a List of Equity Security Holders and Providing Notice of Commencement to Equity Security Holders (Final Order);
- 6. "Case Management" Motion of the Debtors for Entry of an Order Establishing Certain Notice, Case Management and Administrative Procedures (Final Order);
- 7. "Claims and Noticing Agent" Application of the Debtors, Pursuant to Section 105(a) of the Bankruptey Code, 28 U.S.C. § 156(c) and Bankruptey Rule 2002, for an Order Authorizing Retention and Employment of Kurtzman Carson Consultants, LLC as Claims, Ballot and Noticing Agent, Nunc Pro Tune to the Petition Date (Final Order);
- 8. "Automatic Stay" Motion of the Debtors and Debtors in Possession, Pursuant to Section 105 of the Bankruptcy Code, for an Order (A) Confirming the Protections of Sections 362, 365 and 525 of the Bankruptcy Code and (B) Granting Certain Related Relief (Final Order);
- "Trading Motion" Motion of the Debtors Pursuant to Sections 105,
 362 and 541 of the Bankruptey Code, for Entry of Interim and Final
 Orders (I) Establishing Notice and Objection Procedures for Transfers of

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Equity Securities, (II) Establishing a Record Date for Notice and Sell-Down Procedures for Trading in Claims Against the Debtors' Estates and (III) Granting Related Relief (Interim Order);

Pleadings Regarding Employee Matters

10. "Employee Wages and Benefits" — Motion of Debtors for Interim and Final Orders Authorizing Them to: (A) Pay Prepetition Employee Compensation and Business Expenses; (B) Pay and Honor Employee Medical and Other Benefits; (C) Make Employee Payroll Deductions and Pay Payroll Taxes; (D) Continue Employee Wage and Benefits Programs; and (E) Pay All Costs and Expenses Incident to Any of the Foregoing (Interim Order);

Pleadings Regarding Business Operations of the Debtors

- 11. "Taxes" Motion of the Debtors, Pursuant to Sections 105(a), 363(h), 507(a) and 541 of the Bankruptcy Code, for Interim and Final Orders Authorizing Them to Pay Certain Proportition Taxes (Interim Order);
- 12. "Insurance" Motion of Debtors for Interim and Final Orders
 Authorizing the Debtors to (I) Maintain, Continue and Renew Their
 Property, Casualty, Liability, Workers' Compensation and Other Insurance
 Programs, Policies and Agreements and (II) Honor All Obligations in
 Respect Thereof (Interim Order);
- 13. "Surety Bonds" Motion of the Debtors, Pursuant to Sections 363 and 364 of the Bankruptcy Code, for Interim and Final Orders (A) Authorizing the Debtors to Maintain, Continue and Renew their Surety Bond Program and (B) Granting Certain Related Relief (Interim Order);
- 14. "Utilities"— Motion of the Debtors, Pursuant to Section 366 of the Bankruptey Code, for Interim and Final Orders Establishing Adequate Assurance Procedures with Respect to Their Utility Providers (Interim Order);
- 15. "Vendor Comfort" Motion of the Debtors for an Order, Pursuant to Sections 105(a), 363(c) and 503(b)(1)(A) of the Bankruptey Code, Confirming the Administrative Expense Priority Status of the Debtors' Undisputed Obligations for the Postpetition Delivery of Goods and Provision of Services (Final Order);
- 16. "Essential Suppliers" Motion of the Debtors, Pursuant to Section 105(a), 363(b) and 503(b)(9) of the Bankruptey Code, for Interim and Final Orders Authorizing Them to Pay Prepetition Claims of Certain Essential Suppliers and Service Providers (Interim Order);

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- 17. "Lienholders" Motion of the Debtors, Pursuant to Sections 105(a) and 363 of the Bankruptcy Code, for Interim and Final Orders Authorizing Them to Pay Prepetition Claims of Certain Lien Claimants (Interim Order);
- 18. "Customer Obligations" Motion of the Debtors, Pursuant to Sections 105(a) and 363 of the Bankruptey Code, for Interim and Final Orders Authorizing Them to Pay Propetition Obligations to Their Customers (Interim Order);
- 19. "Coal Sale Contracts" Motion of the Debtors for Interim and Final Orders (A) Authorizing the Debtors to Enter Into and Perform Under Coal Sale Contracts and (B) Granting Certain Related Relief (Interim Order);
- 20. "503(b)(9) Procedures" Motion of the Debtors, Pursuant to Sections 105(a) and 503 of the Bankruptcy Code and Bankruptcy Rules 3002 and 3003, for an Order Establishing Procedures to Resolve Claims Arising Under Section 503(b)(9) of the Bankruptcy Code (Final Order);
- 21. "Reclamation Procedures" Motion of the Debtors, Pursuant to Sections 105(a), 362 and 546(e) of the Bankruptey Code and Bankruptey Rule 9019(b), for an Order Establishing Procedures for Resolving Reclamation Claims Asserted Against the Debtors (Final Order);

Cash Management and Financing Motions

- "Cash Management" Motion of the Debtors, Pursuant to Sections 345, 363(e)(1), 364 and 503(b)(1) of the Bankruptey Code and Bankruptey Rules 6003(b) and 6004(h), for Interim and Final Orders: (A) Approving the Continued Use of the Debtors' Cash Management System, Bank Accounts and Business Forms; (B) Granting an Interim Waiver of the Requirements of Section 345(b) and Certain of the U.S. Trustee's Operating Guidelines; (C) Permitting Continued Intercompany Transactions; and (D) Preserving and Permitting the Exercise of Intercompany Setoff Rights; and (E) Authorizing Banks to Honor Certain Transfers and Charge Certain Fees and Other Amounts (Interim Order).
- 23. "Motion to Scal" Motion of the Debtors Pursuant to Sections 105 and 107 of the Bankruptcy Code and Bankruptcy Rule 9018, to File Under Scal Exhibit F to the Debtors' Motion to Obtain Postpetition Financing (Final Order); and
- 24. "DIP Motion" Motion for Interim and Final Orders (I) Authorizing Debtors (A) to Obtain Post-Petition Financing Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §§ 105, 361, 362, 363, 364(c)(1), 364(c)(2), 364(c)(3), 364(d)(1), and 364(c) and (B) to Utilize Cash Collateral Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 363, (II) Granting Adequate Protection to Pre-Petition Secured Parties Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §§ 361, 362, 363, 364 and 507(b) and (III) Scheduling Final Hearing Pursuant to Bankruptcy Rules 4001(b) and (c) (Interim Order);

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Dated: ______, 2015

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First Day Notice

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NOTICE OF CHAPTER 11 FILING AND OF HEARING ON FIRST DAY MOTIONS		
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT:		
1. On August 3, 2015, Alpha Natural Resources, Inc. and certain of its direct and indirect subsidiaries, as debtors and debtors in possession (collectively, the " <u>Debtors</u> "), filed voluntary petitions for relief under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Virginia (the " <u>Court</u> ").		
2. Together with their petitions, the Debtors also filed and requested a prompt Court hearing (the "First Day Hearing") on certain first day motions (collectively, the "First Day Motions") identified on the proposed First Day Agenda attached hereto.		
3. The Court has scheduled the First Day Hearing for		

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In re:	Chapter 11
Alpha Natural Resources, Inc., et al.,	Case No. 15()
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CERTIFICATION OF HENRY P. (TOBY) LONG, HI REGARDING REQUEST FOR EXPEDITED HEARING

Contemporaneously herewith, Alpha Natural Resources, Inc. and certain of its domestic subsidiaries, as debtors and debtors in possession in these proceedings (collectively, the "Debtors"), filed (i) the Motion of the Debtors for the Entry of an Order (a) Scheduling an Expedited Hearing on First Day Motions Filed by the Debtors and (b) Approving the Form and Manner of Notice Thereof (the "Motion")¹ and (ii) each of the First Day Motions. In support thereof, and as required by Local Bankruptey Rule 9013-1(N), the undersigned proposed counsel for the Debtors certifies as follows:

Capitalized terms not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings given to them in the Motion.

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- 1. I am a member of the bar of this Court. Upon eareful examination of these matters, I believe there is a true need for an expedited hearing.
- 2. The necessity for this emergency hearing has not been caused by any lack of due diligence or intentional action or failure to act on my part or by my client, but has been brought about only by the circumstances of these cases.
- 3. Based upon the nature of the matters and the relief requested in the Motion, there is no *bona fide* effort that could possibly resolve these matters without a hearing.

Dated: August 3, 2015 Richmond, Virginia

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NOTICE OF CHAPTER 11 FILING AND OF HEARING ON FIRST DAY MOTIONS

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT:

- 1. On August 3, 2015, Alpha Natural Resources, Inc. and certain of its direct and indirect subsidiaries, as debtors and debtors in possession (collectively, the "<u>Debtors</u>"), filed voluntary petitions for relief under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Virginia (the "<u>Court</u>").
- 2. Together with their petitions, the Debtors also filed and requested a prompt Court hearing (the "First Day Hearing") on certain first day motions (collectively, the "First Day Motions") identified on the proposed First Day Agenda attached hereto.
- 3. The Court has scheduled the First Day Hearing for August 4, 2015, at 11:00 a.m., in Courtroom 5000 of the United States Bankruptey Court for the Eastern District of Virginia, Richmond Division, 701 East Broad Street, 5th Floor, Richmond, Virginia 23219. The First Day Hearing may be adjourned from time to time without further notice other than an announcement at the First Day Hearing.

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